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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner dated, <u>25 Jan 2005</u>, rejecting the following claims <u>1-3, 5-17, 19, 21-31</u>. The fee for this Notice of Appeal is (37 CFR 1.17(b)) \$500.00.

(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) apply.

()	(a)	Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees:	37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d) for
		the total number of months checked below:	

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(X) (b) Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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^() The extension fee has already been filed in this application.